

## **Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation**

Division of Water Resources
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# **Public Participation Opportunities**

**Public Notice M2014-12** 

June 20, 2014

Last Day to Submit Comments: July 22, 2014

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public of the following draft environmental permits and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the potential impact of the proposed activities on human health and the environment.

The Division has made the determination that the following NPDES permit applications are complete as required by  $Rule\ 0400-40-03-.06(1)(c)$ .

#### **Individual NPDES Permits**

### Coal Proposed Modification/Reissuances

Applicant Appolo Fuels Inc.

Facility Jellico Strip Mine

NPDES Permit Number TN0076414

County Claiborne

Street Address Valley Creek Road

City Clairfield

Zip 37715

Description of Activity Reclaimed surface coal mine Receiving Streams Clear Fork and Valley Creek

Effluent Description Treated mine wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 36°34′15″ Facility Longitude 83°54′42″ Permit Writer DAT

Applicant Appolo Fuels Inc.

Facility KY Line Rich Mountain Mine

NPDES Permit Number TN0079626

County Claiborne

Street Address Valley Creek Road

City Clairfield Zip 37715

Zip 37715 Description of Activity Reclaimed surface coal mine

Receiving Streams Clear Fork and Valley Creek
Effluent Description Treated mine wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 36°35′07″
Facility Longitude 83°53′32″
Permit Writer DAT

### Non-Coal Proposed Reissuances

Applicant **Dunlap Stone Inc.** 

Facility Quarry 1

NPDES Permit Number TN0065811

County Sequatchie

Street Address 5139 West Valley Road

City Dunlap Zip 37327

Description of Activity Limestone mining and processing with asphalt plant

Receiving Stream Johnson Mill Creek

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 35°21′01″ Facility Longitude 85°24′52″ Permit Writer DKC

Applicant Kentucky-Tennessee Clay Company

Facility Edna Smith Mine 24

NPDES Permit Number TN0069370

County Weakley

Street Address White Road

City Gleason

Zip 38229

Description of Activity Ball clay mining

Receiving Stream Unnamed tributaries to Spring Creek Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 36°10′30″ Facility Longitude 88°40′30 ″ Permit Writer DKC

Applicant Vulcan Construction Materials LP

Facility Bristol Quarry

NPDES Permit Number TN0064157

County Sullivan

Street Address 1516 Highway 11W

City Bristol Zip 37621

Description of Activity Limestone mining and processing

Receiving Stream Unnamed tributary to Back Creek Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 36°35′00″ Facility Longitude 82°16′42″ Permit Writer DKC

#### **Non Coal Proposed Termination**

Applicant Mill Creek Machine Cut Stone

Facility Saw-Shed Facility

NPDES Permit Number TN0069213

Counties Putnam

Street Address 8425 Mill Creek Road

City Monterey Zip 38574

Description of Activity Dimension stone rock saw and processing

Receiving Stream Mill Creek

Effluent Description Treated wastewater and storm water

Facility Latitude 36°05'17" Facility Longitude 85°20'06" Permit Writer DKC

#### **How to Comment:**

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) is requesting public comment on these permit actions. Obtaining a broad range of facts and opinions on Agency actions is one of the best ways to ensure quality decisions. Persons wishing to comment on these proposed actions may submit comments in writing to the Mining Section at the above letterhead address, Attn: Public Notice Coordinator, by fax (865) 594-6105 or by e-mail Gary.Mullins@tn.gov. The Division must receive your comments before the close of the comment period (see page 1).

### **How to Request a Public Hearing:**

Interested persons may request in writing that the Director of the Division of Water Resources hold a public hearing on any application. The Division must receive your request before the close of the comment period. You must indicate the interest of the party filing it and the reasons for the hearing. When there is significant public interest for a hearing, the Division will hold a hearing in accordance with *Rule 0400-40-05-.06 (12)*. A separate public notice will announce the public hearing.

# **How the Department Will Proceed:**

The Director of the Division of Water Resources will determine the final permit action after considering comments submitted during the comment period, the hearing record, if any, and the requirements of Federal and State acts and regulations.

#### **To Obtain Permit Details:**

Draft permits contain Antidegradation Determinations and Rationales that address information concerning the foundation for the Division's decisions. Copies of the applications, draft permits, and supporting documentation are in the permit files maintained at the Mining Section's office located at the letterhead address. There is a nominal fee for copying. These files are available for public inspection during normal visiting hours. Please email Kara.Blevins@tn.gov or call (865) 594-5460 to schedule an appointment for the review.

# Permit Writers

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#### **State of Tennessee Antidegradation Policy**

Tennessee's Antidegradation Statement is in *Rule 0400-40-03-.06* of the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation. The primary purpose of the Antidegradation Policy is to establish a greater level of protection for high quality waters. Some high quality waters are in near-pristine condition. Others are determined to be high quality due to specialized uses and/or unique features.

Generally, there are two types of high quality waters. Outstanding National Resource Waters (ONRWs) receive the greatest level of protection. The Board of Water Quality, Oil and Gas designate these waters. New discharges or expansion of existing discharges cannot degrade existing water quality.

The Department identifies other high quality waters known as Exceptional Tennessee Waters (ETWs) and protects against their degradation. The Department may allow some degradation if the Department deems it economically and socially necessary.

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Non-Exceptional Tennessee Waters refer to surface waters that do not have the identification and/or designation as high quality. These waters must achieve and maintain Tennessee's Water Quality Standards.

#### **State of Tennessee Policy of Non-Discrimination**

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